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Re: FPPC Agenda Item 10--May 13, 2004: Proposed Regulatory Action to Address "Has Reason to Know/Reasonable Diligence" (Adoption of New Regulation 18700.1)

Mr. Glick

This one seems like a no-brainer. I cannot understand how Mrs. Smoley did not understand, that the location of her husband's property in the area that she was voting on, was a good reason not to vote. It suggests that an IQ test is the correct test to be administered.

The idea that personal responsibility should be replaced by saying "my attorney made me do it" should be jettisoned immediately. I noted that the recommendation is not to buy into this. Bravo.

Going back to my parochial experience with the County of San Diego's general plan update, there is no reason whatsoever for anyone as deeply involved as these public officials, to not understand the economic effects of that plan for the future. It is a general plan for 2020.

One group of cranky protesters to the proposed general plan is asking for an economic analysis of the effects. Of course, the county is ignoring them. So how could any of these public officials say, with a straight face, that they did not know anything about the future financial effects of this general plan update on their personal property and/or economic interests?

And just for good measure, I must ask, don't these public officials file income tax returns and fill out 700's? Since income is the basis of our survival, how could anyone be surprised by some unknown income producer popping up at an inopportune time?

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I think that this might be becoming too complicated, and may eventually allow the weasels to have their way with us.

I think that I am signed up as an Interested Party on this issue. Conflict of interest is a big deal to us "publics" who are watching the political process.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charlene Ayers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed contact information.

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